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Title: METHOD AND SYSTEM
FOR COLLECTING AND
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CHEMICAL
INFORMATION

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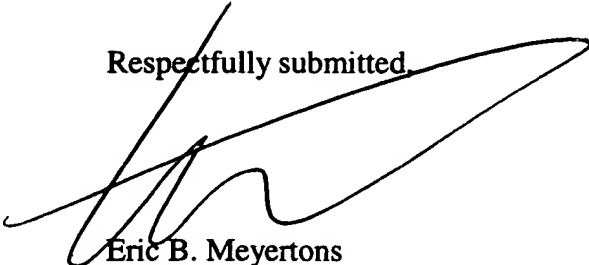
Applicant hereby elects the claims of Group I, namely claims 309-343 drawn to methods and systems which collect and transmit chemical information, without traverse. Applicant reserves the right to file a divisional application at a later date capturing the subject matter recited in claim 375.

Applicant further elects the claims of Species I-B. Applicant submits that claims 309-324 and 343 read upon the elected species.

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